Abstract

The invention relates to a catalyst for the catalytic oxidation of hydrogen chloride, comprising on a support

- 5 a) from 0.001 to 30% by weight of gold,
 - b) from 0 to 3% by weight of one or more alkaline earth metals,
 - c) from 0 to 3% by weight of one or more alkali metals,
 - d) from 0 to 10% by weight of one or more rare earth metals,
- e) from 0 to 10% by weight of one or more further metals selected from the group consisting of ruthenium, palladium, platinum, osmium, iridium, silver, copper and rhenium,

in each case based on the total weight of the catalyst.